

Although Chancellor Adenauer will not step down formally until October, the decision to sign the treaty of Moscow proves that the successor generation is already taking over. Former Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano, chief of the Christian Democratic parliamentary group, and former Defense Minister Franz-Josef Strauss are bitterly opposed to the treaty, which they regard not only as a step toward capitulation on the East German

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and Berlin issues but as a threat to the whole structure of the Western alliance. Adenauer is personally in agreement with them, along with a large section, probably a majority of the CDU. The pro-treaty forces were led by the new Foreign Minister, Gerhart Schroeder, with Erhard's approval. Schroeder used the political weight of the Social Democrats, 100 per cent for the treaty and for the East-West "detente" and "dialogue" which they believe it augurs, to beat down the opposition in his own party and the protests of the fading *Alte*.

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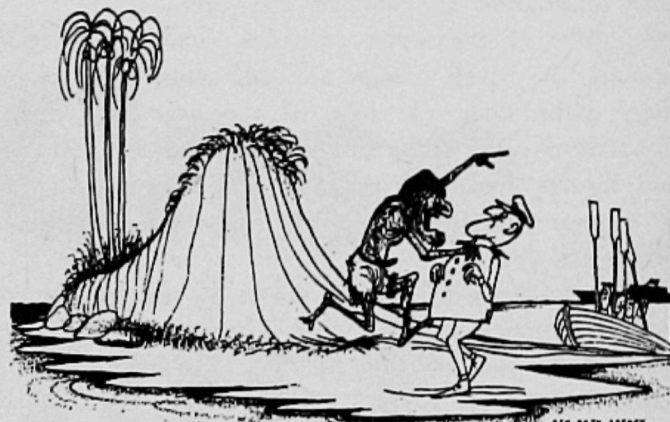
It is by now clear that Indonesia's Sukarno completely outmaneuvered Malaya's Tunku Abdul Rahman at the recent Maphilindo conference, while Philippine President Macapagal sat rather pointlessly on the sidelines. Sukarno's proposal, naively accepted by the Tunku, to have U Thant conduct an opinion survey in North Borneo and Sarawak turns out to have been merely a device to block proclamation of united Malaysia on the scheduled date of August 31. Singapore's leftist but vigorous and anti-Communist leader, Lee Kuan Yew, who faces a most difficult internal situation because of Singapore's predominantly Chinese population, is dismayed at the Tunku's irresolution. In Indonesia-governed southern Borneo, Indonesian officers speed the training of the large "liberation army." Indonesian commander-in-chief Nasution told a mass rally in Jakarta that Malaysia must be destroyed "through peace or war."

HORDIO, SOMALIA

Moscow to the Sea

The roaming fleets of Russian trawlers, many equipped with advanced electronic apparatus, have become a familiar sight on all the oceans. Everyone understands that they are simultaneously part of Russia's huge fishing industry, her navy and her intelligence network. Two or three of them seem invariably on hand when a Western power carries out an operation of military or scientific significance. They are also on call for transport of dispatches, agents, guerrilla supplies, propaganda material, etc. It has been less remarked that in taking to the seas the nearly landlocked Russia is feverishly trying to develop a world system of supporting bases. She now has unrestricted use

of the Indonesian harbors, including the big new base being developed by Soviet personnel at Amboina island. She has access to the new Ghanaian port which Communist technicians are helping to construct twenty miles from Accra. Contracts have been signed with Morocco for major construction, apparently including submarine pens, at Tangiers. She has full rights at Abukir (Egypt) and is supplementing established Cuban ports with at least one new base, chiefly for submarines. The latest major move is toward development of a key base in Hafun Bay, near the eastern tip of Africa's "Golden Horn," covering Britain's base at Aden and, the passage between the Suez-Red Sea channel and the Indian Ocean, and poised over the African East Coast now in mid-course of decolonization. In support of the Hafun Bay project, Moscow is already carrying out an intensive program of technical aid to impoverished, illiterate Somalia, including the training of Somalis, exchange support, and propaganda support of Somali claims against Ethiopia and Kenya.



King Daily Telegraph, Australia

*"Quickly, what happened to Christine Keeler and Mandy Rice-Davies who almost upset, er, what's-his-name's Government?"*

TEL AVIV

Nasser's Gas

In spite of the expected whitewash by the UN's official investigators, Israeli Intelligence has fully confirmed that the Egyptians have used poison gas in Yemen against both troops and villages loyal to the Iman. The Israeli Government is gravely concerned. It reasons that if Nasser was willing to use gas against fellow Arabs, it is certain that he would do so against Israel; and the Israelis are convinced that Nasser will attack whenever he feels strong enough to do so. Military specialists, in Israel as elsewhere, are interested to recall that the last previous confirmed use of poison gas—by Mussolini's army in Ethiopia—was in a similar geographic, social and strategic situation.

CAPETOWN

Roguish Elephants

Elephants in Kruger National Park have taken a sudden dislike to the neat black and white signs that direct visitors around the huge animal sanctuary. They demonstrate their dislike by rooting up the signs, posts and all. The South African park department is now trying out stone pyramids as signposts with non-black and white signs bolted securely to them. Results thus far excellent.

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